

10 killed in Ondo community cult clashes

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No fewer than 10 people have been killed in cult clashes in Igbokoda, Ondo State, according to the representative of the Ilaje/Ese-Odo Federal Constituency in the House of representatives Kolade Akinjo.

Akinjo at plenary on Tuesday called on the Inspector-General of Police, Mohammed Adamu; and the Chief of Naval Staff, Vice Admiral Ibok-Ete Ibas, help restore calm in the area by deploying more men to prevent further loss of life.

While adopting the motion, the House “urge the Inspector-General of Police and the Chief of Naval Staff to urgently mobilise more security personnel to Igbokoda and the neighbouring communities in a bid to arrest and investigate the perpetrators of the ongoing ‘cult disturbance’ in the area”.

The lawmakers also urged the IG to establish more police divisions in the constituency, especially due to its littoral nature.

Akinjo had earlier moved a motion titled ‘Call for the Deployment of More Security Officials to Ilajeland in Ilaje/Ese Odo Federal Constituency.’

He said, “Igbokoda, the headquarters of Ilaje Local Government Area, despite its size and population, has been a difficult terrain in recent time due to a spate of cult violence in the community.

“The clashes have created tension in the area, especially with the inflicting of injuries on innocent persons in the process.

“The situation has degenerated into the point that our streets have turned into a war zone, thereby causing the residents and business owners in Igbokoda community sleepless nights due to fear of being attacked.”

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